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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2536

Introduced by Assembly Member Scott
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Jackson coauthors:
***Assembly Members Jackson and Torlakson*)**

February 24, 2000

An act relating to crime prevention, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2536, as amended, Scott. Crime prevention.

Existing law establishes various crime prevention programs.

This bill would require the Department of Justice to ~~conduct an education campaign~~ *produce television spots in both English and Spanish* regarding recent changes in firearm laws, ~~to conduct an injury prevention campaign addressing firearm injury prevention, and to conduct a study assessing new laws affecting firearm commerce and firearm crime, as specified. This bill would reappropriate funds appropriated for the SKS Sporter Rifle Buy-Back Program for purposes of the bill~~ *the target market of which shall be the public, and would require the Department of Justice to also develop*

television spots on techniques aimed at reducing firearm injury and death. This bill would also appropriate \$125,000 from the General Fund for purposes of the bill.

This bill would declare that its provisions would become effective immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: ²/₃. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Department of Justice shall do all of
2 the following:

3 ~~(a) Conduct an education campaign~~ *Produce*
4 *television spots in both English and Spanish* addressing
5 changes in the firearms laws. The ~~campaign shall target~~
6 ~~law enforcement, firearms dealers, and target market of~~
7 ~~the spots shall be~~ the public.

8 ~~(b) The department shall carry out an injury~~
9 ~~prevention campaign addressing firearm injury~~
10 ~~prevention and evaluate the firearm laws passed in 1999.~~

11 ~~(c) The department shall contract with the University~~
12 ~~of California, Davis, Violence Prevention Research~~
13 ~~Program to conduct interim assessments of California's~~
14 ~~new firearm laws on firearm commerce and firearm~~
15 ~~crime. The University of California, Davis, Violence~~
16 ~~Prevention Research Program shall subcontract with~~
17 ~~researchers in southern California to conduct part of the~~
18 ~~research.~~

19 ~~(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on the~~
20 ~~effective date of this act, the balance of the funds~~
21 ~~appropriated for the SKS Sporter Rifle Buy Back~~
22 ~~Program in Item 0820-001-0001, Section 2.00 of the Budget~~
23 ~~Act of 1999, for the necessary expenditures to implement~~
24 ~~Chapter 909 of the Statutes of 1998, is hereby~~
25 ~~reappropriated to the Department of Justice for~~
26 ~~expenditure for state operations for the purposes and~~
27 ~~subject to the limitations provided for in this act.~~

28 *(b) Develop television spots on techniques aimed at*
29 *reducing firearm injury and death.*

1 SEC. 2. *The sum of one hundred twenty-five*
2 *thousand dollars (\$125,000) is hereby appropriated from*
3 *the General Fund to the Department of Justice for the*
4 *purposes of this act.*

5 SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for
6 the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,
7 or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the
8 Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts
9 constituting the necessity are:

10 In order to protect the public safety by ~~insuring~~
11 *ensuring* that unsafe firearms are not illegally sold, it is
12 necessary that this act take immediate effect.

